

June 1, 2015 8:30 A.M.

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JONES COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX – COMMISSIONERS' ROOM

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Chairperson

Joseph Wiggins, Vice-Chairman

Mike Haddock, Commissioner

Frank Emory, Commissioner

Zack Koonce, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager

Angelica Hall, Clerk

The Chairperson called the meeting to order. Commissioner Frank Emory gave the invocation.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the agenda be **APPROVED** as presented.

MOTION made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the minutes for Special Meeting April 13, 2015 and April 20, 2015 and Regular Meeting on May 18, 2015 are **APPROVED**.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No Public Comment

1. TYLER HARRIS- MCAS CHERRY POINT

Mr. Tyler Harris and Mr. Eugene Foxworth spoke to the Board about including Jones County in the Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). This process is to establish and foster a working relationship among military installations and their neighboring communities to act as a team to prevent and/or curtail civilian encroachment issues associated with continued military operations, potential future mission changes and regional growth. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** the request to include Jones County in the JLUS and appoint Zack Koonce and Franky Howard to the planning group as Jones County representatives is **APPROVED** as presented. A copy of the Project Plan which is marked **EXHIBIT A** is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

2. TOWN OF TRENTON-REQUEST-NUISANCE & ABATEMENT FEES

Mr. Franky Howard updated the Board on the Town of Trenton's request to receive assistance in the collection of their Nuisance and Abatement Fees. Mr. Howard spoke to Mr. Sam Croom, as requested by the Board in the previous meeting, and explained to the Board that the collections agreement needs to be amended to allow Mr. Croom to collect the fees.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins and unanimously carried **THAT** the collection agreement be amended.

3.RESOLUTION-RECOGNITION OF THE WWII COASTWISE MERCHANT MARINERS

Mr. Franky Howard presented the Board a copy of a resolution supporting the recognition of the WWII Coastwise Merchant Mariners. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the resolution be **APPROVED** in support of the recognition of the WWII Coastwise Merchant Mariners. A copy of the resolution which is marked **EXHIBIT B** is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

4. TAX REFUNDS

Mr. Franky Howard presented the Board with a Tax Refund request. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** the tax refund be **APPROVED** as presented.

5. ATTORNEY INVOICES

Mr. Franky Howard presented the Board with the attorney invoices for May. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Franky Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the attorney invoices be **APPROVED** as presented.

May	
General Legal	4036.54
DSS Department	135.00
DOT Condemnation Lawsuit	2154.90
Project Communications	270.00

6. Aging Advisory Board

Mr. Howard presented the Board with a revised Aging Advisory Board Member list that needs the Board approval due to the previous list not having the Agency representatives listed. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and unanimously carried **THAT** the list be **APPROVED** as presented. A copy of this letter is marked **EXHIBIT C** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

7.COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM RESOLUTION TO MOVE FROM DSS TO HEALTH

Mr. Franky Howard presented the Board with a memo from Mr. Jack Jones, Interim Director for DSS, recommending the Community Alternatives Program be moved to the Jones County Health Department. This move would allow Jones County to draw down additional funds to support the program and staff at the Jones County Health Department. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Commissioner Mike Haddock and unanimously carried **THAT** the CAP program be moved from DSS to the Health department. A copy of this memo is marked **EXHIBIT D** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

8. RESOLUTION-JONES COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION CAPTIAL OUTLAY CONTRACT WITH APPLE INC.

Mr. Franky Howard presented the Board a copy of a resolution to allow the Jones County School Board to continue its capital contract with Apple Inc for its Computer hardware.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the resolution be **APPROVED** as presented. A copy of this resolution is marked **EXHIBIT E** and is hereby incorporated and made a part of the minutes.

9. CAPITAL REQUEST-JONES COUNTY WATER DEPARTMENT

Mr. Franky Howard presented to the Board a Capital request from the Jones County Water Department. This request is for a trailer that will assist in the delivery of multiple Trash Carts and will also be used to help with other general county needs. This item will be paid from the Water Enterprise Budget. **MOTION** made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** the Capital request be **APPROVED** as presented.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

No report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS

Commissioner Mike Haddock requested someone look at the building where the FSA will be housed and determine if any work needs to be completed for them to move into the facility.

Commissioner Zack Koonce state the new air filters in the courthouse has had a positive effect on the employees and is very pleased that the systems were purchased.

Chairperson Sondra Ipock-Riggs addressed the complaints pertaining to the trash pick-up and the issues with the trash cans after the storm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Houston spoke to the Board about the Annual NCRWA Conference he attended in Greensboro, NC. During this conference the Jones County Regional Water System was named the first place winner of the Water Taste Test. As a result of being selected first place, the Jones County Regional Water System will be attending and representing North Carolina in Rural Water Rally being held Washington D.C., in February 2016.

MOTION made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be recessed at 9:25 a.m.

Sondra Ipock-Riggs
Chairman

Angelica Hall
Clerk to the Board

June 1, 2015 9:45 A.M.
JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JONES COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX – COMMISSIONERS’ ROOM
MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Chairperson
Joseph Wiggins, Vice-Chairman
Mike Haddock, Commissioner
Frank Emory, Commissioner
Zack Koonce, Commissioner

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager
Brenda Reece, Finance Officer
Amanda Meadows, Assistant Finance Officer

Franky Howard presented various departmental budgets to the Board. The Fire Tax districts’ budget request were reviewed and discussion was held on the impact each tax rate would have on those districts. Mr. Howard presented the School Board budget and mentioned it would be the same funding as last year. Mr. Howard mentioned a 3% cost of living increase for the employees. Also, an increase in curbside pick-up rates for trash was discussed.

MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Franky Emory, and unanimously carried **THAT** Angelica Hall be **APPOINTED** as Clerk to the Board.

MOTION made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be recessed at 12:00 p.m. until June 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at Mike Haddock's workshop located at E. 2314 Wyse Fork Road, Trenton NC 28585.

Sondra Ipock-Riggs
Chairman

Franky Howard
Clerk to the Board

BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

June 8, 2015 6:00 P.M.
JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
Mike Haddocks Workshop
MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Chairperson
Joseph Wiggins, Vice-Chairman
Mike Haddock, Commissioner

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Franky J. Howard, County Manager
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Amanda Meadows, Assistant Finance Officer

Frank Emory, Commissioner
Zack Koonce, Commissioner

Angelica Hall, Clerk to the Board

Budget discussions were continued.

Mr. Franky Howard welcomed everyone back and indicated he was glad everyone could attend. Fire tax discussions continued and department budgets were reviewed. Curbside pick-up fee discussion continued.

MOTION made by Commissioner Frank Emory, seconded by Joseph Wiggins and unanimously carried **THAT** the following appointments of Olin Stewart to the Workfirst Development Board and the Trillion Board be added to the agenda.

MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** Olin Stewart will be a representative for Jones County on the Workfirst Development Board.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Zack Koonce and unanimously carried **THAT** Olin Stewart will be a representative for Jones County on the Trillion Board.

MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and carried **THAT** the mandatory Direct Deposit be implemented. Motion was **OPPOSED** by Chairperson Sondra Ipock-Riggs.

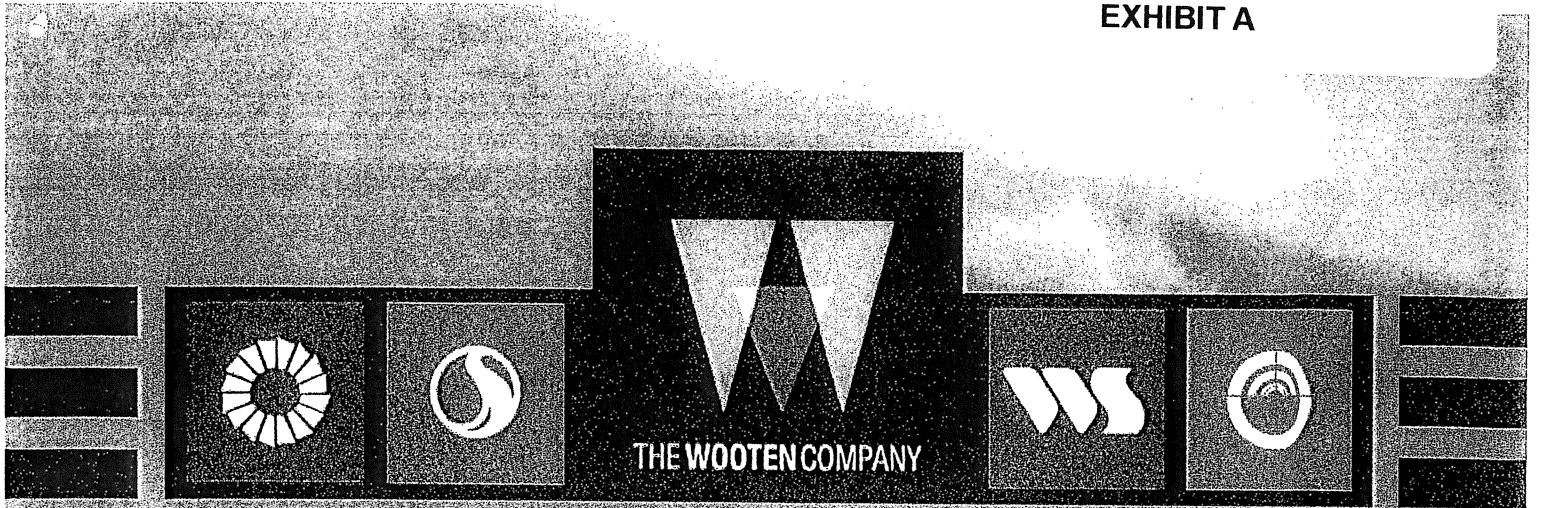
MOTION made by Commissioner Zack Koonce, seconded by Commissioner Frank Emory and unanimously carried **THAT** the Bi-Weekly payroll be implemented.

MOTION made by Commissioner Mike Haddock, seconded by Commissioner Joe Wiggins **THAT** the work on the budget resolution continue and be presented in its final form on June 15, 2015.

MOTION made by Commissioner Joseph Wiggins, seconded by Zack Koonce, and unanimously carried **THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Sondra Ipock-Riggs
Chairman

Angelica Hall
Clerk to the Board



Carteret County Joint Land Use Study Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point



**Project Work
Plan**
March 2015

Carteret County Joint Land Use Study (JLUS)

Project Work Plan

**Submitted to
Carteret County**

March 2015

This project is supported by the following agencies: Cherry Point MCAS, Carteret County, Craven County, Pamlico County, Emerald Isle, Bogue, Newport and Down East RPO.

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I. Purpose & Intent

The intent of the JLUS process is to establish and foster a working relationship among military installations and their neighboring communities to act as a team to prevent and/or curtail civilian encroachment issues associated with continued military operations, potential future mission changes, and regional growth. The term encroachment refers to incompatible uses of land, air, water, and other resources that may individually or cumulatively impact the military's ability to carry out its testing and training mission.

The purpose of a JLUS is to provide a set of recommendations or potential guidelines that can be implemented by identified stakeholders to promote compatible development and relationships between the military and neighboring communities for the present and future. As such, a JLUS should become an adopted plan for protecting the general health, safety and welfare of the region, preserving community character and a way of life, accommodating new growth and economic development and encouragement of sound land use decisions to promote compatible land uses.

Our Approach Philosophy: A key aspect to preparing a JLUS is having a good understanding of the regional context and implementation process. Our approach to creating a truly implementable plan will draw upon successful case studies and best practices from other military installations and their neighboring communities, with a particular emphasis on successes from the southeastern US. In turn, the outcome of this JLUS will facilitate compatible economic development opportunities that can be acted upon by local entrepreneurs, development community, public agencies, and existing businesses.

II. Approach & Planning Elements

The Carteret County JLUS scope of services and approach is built upon our team's previous planning experience with military installations and local communities that have similar growth management considerations. This experience includes conducting in-depth land use evaluations to develop long term proactive strategies that can provide the tools necessary to identify and mitigate potential conflicts while enhancing communication and coordination between the community and the military installation.

The planning elements and approach is built upon our team's direct experience with the Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, Carteret County, and also military installations and local communities that have similar growth management considerations to Carteret County and its surrounding communities. This experience includes conducting in-depth land use evaluations to develop long term proactive strategies that provided the tools necessary to identify and mitigate potential conflicts, while enhancing communication and coordination between communities and the military installations they share the area with. For success, this process must support stakeholder collaboration and create a community-driven, cooperative, strategic planning process among Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point and the surrounding counties and communities.

Military installations are critical to local economies, generating thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in economic activity and tax revenue annually. In past instances, incompatible development has been a factor in the curtailment of military training operations and restructuring of mission critical components to other installations. In order to protect the missions of military installations and the health of the economies and industries that rely on them, collaboration and joint planning between installations and local communities must occur to address encroachment.

III. Project Scope Tasks

Our planning approach is focused on the creation of a *flexible planning framework*. Through our Project Team's experience in working with the Cherry Point MCAS as well as several jurisdictions within the study area, we understand the need to be responsive in our planning process: as the old adage goes, "expect the unexpected." Our goal is to ensure that the endorsed JLUS recommendations are a result of informed decision-making and a process that allows constituents the opportunity to make changes and justify the outcome.

The Project Team recognizes the importance of communicating milestones and deliverables throughout the planning process. With this in mind, the following **Project Work Plan** describes the team organization, milestones, deliverables, schedule, and communication plan for this planning effort. On a bi-monthly basis, we will prepare a progress report (consistent with OEA requirements) that describes project efforts from the previous month, current issues to be resolved, and next months' milestones and activities. The progress reports will be included with a copy of the monthly invoice for your convenience.

The schedule for the planning process is to complete the development of the JLUS within an eleven (11) month planning timeframe. The planning process will encompass an analysis of existing plans, policies and regulations; inventory and analysis of military operations and compatible land uses; identification of new measures of compatibility; and, policy and regulatory recommendations. The ultimate objective of this process will be to develop an adaptive and scalable JLUS Plan that will accommodate and balance the needs of the military base operations against the demands of regional growth. A breakdown of major scope tasks include:

- INSTALLATION TOUR/KICKOFF MEETING/PIP
- INITIATE PUBLIC OUTREACH & STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION
- IDENTIFY MILITARY OPERATIONS
- BASE MAPPING & LAND USE INVENTORY/REGULATIONS
- DEMOGRAPHIC/ INFRASTRUCTURE ANALYSIS & ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS
- IDENTIFICATION OF COMPATIBLE AND INCOMPATIBLE LAND USES
- MITIGATION OPTIONS & LAND USE ANALYSIS
- IDENTIFY POTENTIAL NEW MEASURES TO ENCOURAGE LAND USE COMPATIBILITY

- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN RECOMMENDATIONS
- ORDINANCE DELIVERY & RECOMMENDATIONS
- COMMUNICATION PLAN

Ultimately, the set of recommendations developed for the MCAS Cherry Point Joint Land Use Study will represent the ‘way forward’ for the installation, Carteret County, and the surrounding region to meet the goals and objectives of promoting military compatible land uses and developing communications processes for protecting airspace, and supporting continued economic growth, vitality, and community character.

IV. Project Team

Scott Chase will serve as your Project Manager assuring quality reviews on project deliverables and guiding the project team production and deliverables. Stantec will assist with facilitating public outreach and stakeholder collaboration efforts, scenario planning and implementation. NFocus will provide assistance with the regulatory review process as well as implementation task. Throughout the duration of this plan, our focus will be on this project, giving County staff quick access to information and providing timely response to questions. The remainder of the project team is listed below:

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<u>Team Task Leaders</u>	<u>Role/Responsibility:</u>
Scott Chase, AICP	Project Manager
Steve Player, AICP	Assistant Project Manager
Graham Stone	Social Media/Web

Subconsultants:

<u>Team Task Leaders</u>	<u>Role/Responsibility:</u>
Mike Rutkowski, PE, AICP	Stantec - Stakeholder Outreach/Transportation
Matt Noonkester, AICP, PTP	Stantec - Land Use Integration/Scenario Planning
Scott Lane, AICP	Stantec - Documentation/Graphics
Don Belk, AICP	NFocus - Policy/Regulatory
James Norment	Ward & Smith – Legal Review
April Montgomery	REAP – Renewable energy

V. Project Schedule

The tentative completion of the MCAS Cherry Point Joint Land Use Study is scheduled for January 2016, based on the anticipated duration of eleven months.

Dates within this milestone schedule are subject to change based on data availability, meeting scheduling, review of deliverables, and council/board presentations. Table I provides the project milestone schedule.

EXHIBIT B

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF RECOGNITION FOR VETERANS STATUS TO WW II COASTWISE MERCHANT MARINERS

Findings 1: Some US Merchant Marine Seamen of WW II gained veteran status under a court ruling via *Schmacher, Willner, et al, V. Secretary of the Air Force Edward C. Aldridge, Jr* 665 F Supp 41 (D.D.C 1987). The USCG later **required** they meet certain eligibility requirements.

Findings 2: Some 10,000 to 30,000 **coastwise** seagoing tug and barge merchant seamen have been or may be denied recognition upon application because actions taken by government agencies (prior to P. L. 95-202) have removed required eligibility records from being available to the veteran.

Findings 3: Commandant, USCG Ltr 5739 Ltr of 09 Apr 2010 states, **"The US Government did not issue mariner credentials to females during the World War II."**

Findings 4: USCG Information Sheet #77 (April 1992) identifies **acceptable forms of documentation** for eligibility meeting the requirements pursuant to *Schmacher V. Aldridge*, 655 41(D.D.C 1987)

- a. Certificate of Discharge (Form 718A)
- b. Continuous Discharge Books (ship's deck/engine logbooks. (Non-military document)
- c. Company letters showing vessel names and dates of voyages. (Non-military document)

Findings 5: Commandant USCG Order of 20 March, 1944 **relieves masters** of tugs, towboats and seagoing barges **of the responsibility of submitting reports of seamen shipped or discharged on forms 718A.** This action removes item (a) from the eligibility list in Findings 4.

Findings 6: USCG Information Sheet # 77 (April, 1992) further states "Deck logs were traditionally considered to be the property of the owners of the ships. After World War II, however, the deck and engine logbooks of vessels operated by the War Shipping Administration were turned over to that agency by the ship owners, and **were destroyed during the 1970s because they were too burdensome to keep and too costly to maintain.**" This action effectively eliminates item (b) from the eligibility list in Findings 4

Findings 7: Company letters showing vessel names and dates of voyages are highly suspect of ever existing due to the strict orders prohibiting even the discussion of ship/troop movement. Then consider item (c) of Findings 4 should be removed from the eligibility list. USCG Info Sheet # 77, page 2 refers

Findings 8: Excerpts from Pres. Roosevelt's fireside Chat 23: On the Home Front (Oct. 12, 1942): "In order to keep stepping up our production, we have had to add millions of workers to the total labor force of the Nation. "In order to do this, we shall be compelled to use **older men, and handicapped people, and more women, and even grown boys and girls,** wherever possible and reasonable, to replace men of military age and fitness; **to use their summer vacations, to work somewhere in the war industries.**" Underage combatants had served in all of America's wars from the time of the Revolution. The unknown number who served in the Second World War perpetuated that legacy. They served with distinction and valor, and indisputably demonstrated that, despite their age, they could serve as well as those around them.

Findings 9: Post the Revolutionary War; many Acts of Congress were enacted to provide pensions to those veterans applying for support. Thousands of servicemen were without documented service and remained without any viable means to prove service. Excerpts from documents retained at the NARA provide: **Generally the process required an applicant to appear before a court of record in the State**

of his or her residence to describe under oath the service for which a pension was claimed. This establishes precedence for using certified oaths in conjunction with the Social Security documents as alternative documentation.

Findings (10): US CG Official Shipping/Discharge documents (Forms 718A) were obtained from the National Archives and Records Administration, Wash. DC that contained information proving Active Duty (AD) services for some WW II coastwise barge and tug Mariners. Together with information obtained via a FOIA request to the National Maritime Center, research brought forth additional information. **Research** conducted between **June-August 2013, in concert with the NMC**, using official records of 1172 coastwise mariners and the USCG Merchant Marine Casualties of WW II report of 1950 identified:

WW II Coastwise Mariners Listing: Excel Sheet #1

- 1172 Mariners identified via official USCG Shipping/Discharge Forms 718A
- 84 Mariners may be women according to their feminine sounding names; OR 7.2%
- 1058 Mariners' ages were specified. Ages ranged from 10 to 78.
- 583 Mariners identified within draft age and included those in 4F status; OR 55.1% of known ages.
- 525 Mariners identified at over the draft age of 37; OR 49.6% of known ages.
- 114 Mariners with age not specified; OR 09.7%
- 47 Mariners who served were under the age of 17; OR 4.4% of known ages.
- 16 Mariners KIA with 1 receiving DD Form 1300.

National Maritime Form DD 214 Listing: Excel Sheet #2

- 794 Mariners were identified on NMC Coastwise Mariners listing identifying Active Duty services.
- 291 Mariners on NMC listing had no USCG MMLD numbers listed; OR 36.6%
- 85 Mariners issued DD Form 214 from NMC listing, OR 10.7% of NMC; OR 7.2% of WW II CMM

Merchant Marine KIA & MIA Casualties from all causes = 9521 * (usmm.org)

- 5662 Mariner Casualties from USCG per 1950 Report * (USCG 1950 casualty report)
- 3859 Mariner Casualties from Other Sources * (Additional sources = Art. Moore and US Congress)

Merchant Marine Casualties recognized by all sources = 414

- 344 Mariner Casualties from USCG 1950 Casualty Report * (USCG 1950 casualty report)
- 70 Mariner Casualties from NMC report & not listed on USCG 1950 Casualty List * (NMC DD 1300 Report)
- 1 Mariner in NMC DD 1300 files as having received Form DD 1300 yet 16 identified on WW II CM listing

Rationale: 9521 Merchant Mariners KIA or MIA serving and only 414 receiving Veteran status.

Findings 11: The USCG **cannot** provide a **true estimate** of merchant mariners serving in WW II. GAO/HEHS-97-196R refers. Estimates range from 250,000 to 840,000 from recognized historians and GAO audit... None of these historians were aware of these 10,000 to 30,000 coastwise merchant seamen where many served without proper credentials and were not included in above estimates. **Some were elderly handicapped; others women and some were school children** who served in billets, drew wages and paid taxes. They served on the same vessels in the same hostile war zones and performed the same services alongside others who were documented. **Yet, only about 91,000 merchant mariners have been recognized as veterans with just 1192 of these veterans in receipt of compensation or pension benefits the VA refers.** This is a vast disparity in ratio of the other service branches.

Findings 12: DOD and NARA Agreement N1-330-04-1 of Jul, 08, 2004 puts in place a procedure to transfer military personnel files of individuals from all services, (including civilian personnel or contractual groups who were later accorder military status under the provisions of Schmacher, Willner, et al, V. Secretary of the Air Force Edward C. Aldridge, Jr 665 F Supp 41 (D.D.C 1987). This agreement affects military personnel records of individuals **62 years** after separation from service. Action has taken place for all **except** the US Merchant Marine IAW above stated court order. This **inaction** by the **Department of Homeland Security via (COMDT USCG)** has caused many of the mariners to have **gone unrecognized** for their services. Many seafarers have passed without ever gaining recognition or benefits and soon all will be History. National Personnel Records Center estimate there are between 1400 to 2500 Cubic feet of Shipping/Discharge documents being stored at the NARA district offices and NMC yet to be

transferred to the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, Missouri. NMC cites about 91,000 out of 250,000 to 840,000 have ever received recognition as veterans; and, with many unable to gain access because of age and health condition requiring assistance for others outside family. Had compliance taken place, these records would have been available to all and providing the mariner a chance to being recognized many years ago and enjoying the benefits awarded to them via court order.

Whereas: (1) By court order, Schumacher v. Aldridge 665 F Supp 41 (D.D.C. 1987) provided for veteran status to certain US Merchant Marine seamen during WW II (07 December, 1941 to 31 December, 1946) with the same benefits accorded all veterans as administrated by the Veterans Administration. There were **no provisions** for the elderly handicapped, women or schoolchildren to even be considered for their services as mariners serving anywhere within the US Merchant Marine providing an avenue to veteran status.

Whereas: (2) The USCG Information Sheet #77 of Apr. 1992 identifies specific criteria to be used to prove active duty performed by an individual seaman for the purpose of attaining veteran status and findings (5), (6) & (7) identified specific **official government actions** that **removed** these particular documents from the reach of the mariner. This **clearly identifies the requirement** to put in place a method of utilizing **alternative** documentation and other approved methods to replace specific documents removed from use by the government actions cited elsewhere in this document.

Whereas: (3) Women were removed from ships at the onset of WW II and not allowed to serve in any capacity by direction of the War Shipping Administrator, Admiral Emory S. Land. The Captains of the Ports (USCG COTP) were given specific directions to **deny** official USCG maritime credentials to any woman requesting them. They served but without official credentials in every capacity on most vessels. Families were the sole crew on many barges throughout the WW II and afterwards. Companies **welcomed this** arrangement because **critical** crew replacements were **reduced** considerably. This allowed those barges to move the bulk war materials more quickly and freed the more abled bodied seaman to man the larger seagoing ships taking vital supplies to troops on all the fronts, keeping the enemy from our doors. A **win win** situation vital to war defense. **To date** there is **no law or other avenue** recognizing women as veterans of the US Merchant Marine during WW II

Whereas: (4) President Roosevelt's speech of 12 Oct, 1942 puts in place the use of elderly and handicapped individuals, school children and women in an effort to support war efforts by replacing men of military age and fitness, and in stepping up our production of war materials for those on the front lines. Because of this speech, women, the elderly disabled and schoolchildren entered the varied war defense plant services in droves and many found their way into the coastwise barge and tug trades as well.

Whereas: (5) DOD & NARA Agreement N1-330-04-1 of July 08, 2004 provides for the transfer of military records to the National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, MO for use as archival records, open to the public. But inaction by the DHS for the mariner in over 10 years has caused the veteran loss of due access of his records that may have accorded him recognition as a veteran. Recommend Congressional inquiry into delay of WW II Merchant Mariners personnel records.

Whereas: (6) Previously attempted bills, HR 1288 and S-1361, would have provided for alternative records to be used in place of records lost, destroyed or denied for coastwise seamen affected; and allowed women and school children be recognized for their services rendered for the first time ever. There are **no laws** in place to allow for resolution of this issue.

Whereas: (7) The elderly disabled, children and women have served in every war this nation has ever known. Most have served without recognition but history is replete with actions of young children stepping up to serve, some receiving our highest honors and others serving in our highest ranks of service, congress and the presidency; e.g. President Andrew Jackson (age 13); America's first Admiral, David Glasgow Farragut was appointed a midshipman at (age 9) by President James Madison; Willie Johnson (age 11) was recipient of the Medal of Honor; Albert Cohen of Memphis TN who enlisted at age 11 & KIA age 15. History is filled with children defending this nation and Coastwise Mariners had their fair share of them. **Findings #9 & #10 provide support info.**

Whereas: (8) Although they served gallantly and with honor, actions taken against those that were elderly and disabled, school children and women by denying them official credentials during WW II is considered discrimination today.

Whereas: (9) The process used to determine whether an individual performed service under honorable conditions that satisfies the requirements of a coastwise merchant seamen who is recognized as having performed active duty service under the court ruling via Schmacher, Willner, et al, V. Secretary of the Air Force Edward C. Aldridge Jr 665 f Supp 41 (D.D.C.1987). There are no considerations in any existing legislation that provides for women who served, under aged schoolchildren or elderly handicapped seaman any avenue to attain veteran status. **Nor** is there a current avenue to use alternative methods of recognition or other actions that have proved effective in past wars for use in lieu of documents that were denied and/or destroyed by several specific official government actions.

The following actions are recommended:

(1) Initiate congressional actions to: Provide sufficient response to support Merchant Mariners' provisions of HR 1288 (with wording intact to insure all coastwise barge and tugboat mariners who served during WW II (regardless of age, gender or disability) are recognized as veterans in accordance with or similar to: court ruling via Schmacher, Willner, et al, V. Secretary of the Air Force Edward C. Aldridge, Jr 665 F Supp 41 (D.D.C 1987, **granting veterans status**

(2) Initiate congressional inquiry into: Delay of WW II Merchant Mariners personnel records movement to National Military Personnel Center.

(3) Initiate congressional actions to: Recognize WW II Mariners identified as KIA/MIA as Veterans of this Nation.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Jones County, North Carolina Board of Commissioners hereby supports these efforts on behalf of the World War II Coastwise Merchant Mariners and urges our Representatives in the Senate (Senators Richard Burr and Thom Tillis) and in the House (Representatives Walter Jones and George K. Butterfield) to fully support and initiate all necessary actions, including full support of HR 1288, "WW II Merchant Mariners Service Act", to pass legislation approving the above findings and recommendations.

Adopted this day of 2015.

Sondra Ipock-Riggs, Chairwoman
Jones County, NC Board of Commissioners



EXHIBIT C

Social Services Board

Phyllis Faulkner- Chairperson
Zack Koonce
Helen Jones Hill
Travis Manning
Russell Roberts

Jones County

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Interim Director

Jack B. Jones

May 20, 2015

Jones County Board of Commissioners,

Please find below a revised list of names for your approval for our Jones County Aging Planning Board:

Matthew Brinkley – appointee from Trenton area
Jerol Bryant – appointee from Trenton area
Della Ancrum -appointee from Trenton area
Celestine Bryant – appointee from Pollocksville area
Barbara Cooke - appointee from Comfort area
Franky Howard – County Manager
Commissioner – Zak Koonce
Timmy Pike – Jones County EMS
Sheila Ward – Jones County Dept of Social Services
Melanie Danza – Jones County Dept of Social Services
Leatrechia Kinsey – Jones County Dept of Social Services
Director – Jones County Dept of Social Services
Gloria Wiggins – LCC Jones County
Wesley Smith – Jones County Health Department
Dennie Smith – Jones County Senior Center
David Rosado – Area Agency on Aging
Tonya Cedars – Area Agency on Aging

Thank You,
Jones County Department of Social Services
Lead Agency HCCBG Funding Plan



EXHIBIT D

Social Services Board

Phyllis Faulkner— Chairperson
Zack Koonce
Jessie Eubanks
Helen Hill Jones
Travis Manning

Jones County

Department of Social Services
Post Office Box 250 Trenton, North Carolina 28585
Phone: 252-448-2581 Fax: 252-448-5651

Director

Jack Jones

MEMO

To: Mr. Franky Howard
Jones County Manager
From: Jack B. Jones, Interim Director
Jones County Social Services
Date: May 28, 2015
Subject: Community Alternatives Program (CAP)

Mr. Howard:

Please find enclosed a copy of a document entitled, '*Steps to Facilitate Lead Agency Change*' published by the CAP/DA Unit of the North Carolina Division of Medical Assistance. Under the first bullet in the second sentence you will find the steps the County must take to facilitate the transfer of the CAP program from the Department of Social Services to the Department of Public Health. Accordingly, the County will need to provide notification the name of the proposed Lead Agency for the CAP program and the proposed start-up date.

I believe a copy of an adopted resolution or a copy of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners reflecting the designation of the Jones County Health Department as the CAP Lead Agency along with a brief Memo from your desk should be forwarded to the attention of Ms. Antoinette Allen-Pearson with the CAP/DA Unit in Raleigh, NC. Her address is listed below. Thank you for your assistance with the transition of this program. Jack

Ms. Antoinette Allen-Pearson
NC Department of Health and Human Services
Home and Community Care Section- Division of Medical Assistance
2501 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2501

STEPS TO FACILITATE LEAD AGENCY CHANGE

- The CAP/DA Unit of the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) will be notified that a change in CAP/DA Program operation is being proposed. The notification will be provided by the County Commissioners and/or County Manager where the current Lead Agency resides and will indicate the name of the proposed lead agency and the proposed effective date for the agency to take over the operations of the program.
- The proposed new Lead Agency will submit the following information in a completed proposal packet to the CAP/DA Consultant for review. The packet will be forwarded to the CAP/DA Manager for final approval. The proposal packet must be approved by DMA before the new agency enrolls as a CAP/DA-CAP/Choice Medicaid Provider Agency.
- **The completed proposal packet should include:**
 - **CAP/DA Program Start-up Formal Plan** The new agency will complete the CAP/DA Program Start-up Formal Plan. The agency will submit all required information as listed in the plan.
 - **Completed Provider Enrollment Application/Addendum (whichever is appropriate)**: The new agency should complete an application or addendum for CAP/DA & CAP/Choice with Provider Enrollment and include it as part of the proposal packet for DMA review. If questions about which form to complete, contact Provider Enrollment.

Submit above information as the completed proposal packet to the CAP/DA Consultant for review.

- When the proposal packet has been reviewed by staff in the CAP Unit of DMA and deemed to be in compliance with program requirements, the DMA Director will complete a letter approving the choice of Lead Agency.
- The CAP/DA Consultant will assist the new Lead Agency in submitting their completed application which should include the DMA approval letter to Medicaid Provider Enrollment.

EXHIBIT E

RESOLUTION

JONES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JONES COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the Jones County Board of Education wishes to enter into a continuing contract for capital outlay under N.C. Gen. Stat. § 115C-528 with Apple, Inc. for the purchase of certain computer hardware, software, and related equipment to be used for public school purposes; and

WHEREAS, the contract will require the Jones County Board of Education to pay Apple, Inc., a total of five hundred sixty-nine thousand and fifty-three dollars and sixteen cents (\$569,053.16) over the 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 fiscal years, as reflected in more detail on the attached Schedule; and

WHEREAS, the contract may be a continuing contract for capital outlay subject to the provisions of N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 115C-441(c1) and 115C-528, including the approval of the Jones County Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Jones County Board of Commissioners agrees to appropriate sufficient funds to the Jones County Board of Education in ensuing fiscal years to meet the Apple, Inc. contract obligations, so long as the amount the Jones County Board of Education shall be obligated to pay under that contract shall not exceed the amounts recited above. Said funds shall be a part of, and not in addition to, regular appropriations made to the Jones County Board of Education. Said funds obligated by this contract for fiscal years 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 shall be budgeted by the Jones County Board of Education for this purpose, and the Jones County Board of Commissioners shall not be obligated to increase its annual appropriation to the Jones County Board of Education by the amount due under this contract with Apple, Inc.

Resolved, this _____ day of _____ 2015 by the Jones County Board of Commissioners.

Chair